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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 09/970,100

Confirmation No. : 2699

Applicants : Vishnu K. Agarwal and Scott G. Meikle

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Attorney Docket No. : 500453.04

Art Unit : 1762

Customer No. : 27,076

Examiner : William P. Fletcher

Title : POLISHING PADS AND PLANARIZING MACHINES FOR MECHANICAL OR
CHEMICAL-MECHANICAL PLANARIZATION OF MICROELECTRONIC-DEVICE
SUBSTRATE ASSEMBLIES, AND METHODS FOR MAKING AND USING SUCH
PADS AND MACHINES

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Applicant requests continued examination, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, of the above-identified application.

1. Submission Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. Submission previously submitted
i. Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

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